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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Francis W. Copeland D.V.M of Bettendorf, Iowa, who passed away on December 17, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Francis Copeland was born near Yorktown, Iowa to Harry W. and Emma (Meyers) Copeland on September 23, 1922 and grew up in rural Shenandoah; he graduated from Iowa State University and served in the United States Army Air Corps as a P-38 pilot during World War II; he married Eleanor Heinrich; and

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WHEREAS, Francis Copeland began farming after the war; he then continued his education and earned his degree in veterinary medicine; he moved with his family to Prophetstown in 1958, where he began his practice, retiring in 1987; and

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WHEREAS, Francis Copeland was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Verral H. Copeland; and his sisters, Fern Otte and Dorthy Hughes; and

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WHEREAS, Francis Copeland is survived by his son, Rod W. (Linda) Copeland; his daughter, Jane (Jeff Miller) Chiappinelli; his grandchildren, Elena (Bob) Casper and Evan Chiappinelli; and his great-granddaughter, Lilliana Casper;

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1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
3 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
4 Francis W. Copeland D.V.M., and extend our sincere condolences
5 to his family, friends, and all who knew and loved him; and be
6 it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to the family of Francis Copeland as an expression of
9 our deepest sympathy.